

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:)	Examiner: Bruce D. HISSONG
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Application Serial No. 10/697,599)	Attorney's Docket No. GNE-0125A
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For: METHOD OF TREATING)	
INFLAMMATORY DISEASE BY)	
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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.705(b)**

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Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The *Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154(b)* form, that accompanied the Notice of Allowance for United States Patent Application Serial No. 10/697,599, states that the PTA is "541" days. Applicants believe that the correct PTA to be accorded to the above-referenced patent is 540 days. Applicants hereby notify the United States Patent and Trademark Office that the PTA cited on the *Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154(b)* is believed to be in error, and request that the PTA accorded to the above-referenced patent be 540 days.

REMARKS

Patent Term Adjustment

The total Patent Term Adjustment was noted as 541 days on the *Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154(b)* form that accompanied the Notice of Allowance for United States Patent Application Serial No. 10/697,599.

In reviewing the Patent Term Adjustment History as published in the PAIR system of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), Applicants note that Applicants filed a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) on October 30, 2007 using the United States Patent and Trademark Office Electronic Filing System. The EFS Acknowledgement Receipt issued indicates a receipt date of October 30, 2007. A copy of this receipt is enclosed for your reference. However, the PTA History available via the PAIR system incorrectly lists the date of "*Request for Continued Examination (RCE)*" as October 29, 2007.

Due to the error in recording the date of receipt of the response, the USPTO incorrectly shows an applicant delay of "61" days (8/29/2007 to 10/29/2007) instead of the correct applicant delay of "62" days (8/29/2007 to 10/30/2007).

Thus, the USPTO calculation of Applicant Delay is in error by 1 day: the correct total Applicant Delay is actually 118 days.

The total USPTO delay is 658 days.

Thus, the total Patent Term Adjustment is 540 days in favor of Applicants.

Thus, Applicants request that the USPTO recalculate the Patent Term Adjustment in view of the above remarks, and accord Applicants 540 days of Patent Term Adjustment.

CONCLUSION

Applicants request that Patent Term Adjustment for U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/697,599 be corrected to be **540 days** instead of the 541 days indicated in *Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154(b)* form.

Applicants hereby authorize payment from Deposit Account No. **50-4634** (referencing Attorney's Docket No. **GNE-0125A**) for the PTA adjustment request as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.18(e). However, Applicants do not believe the \$200.00 charge for reconsideration of the PTA should be charged to the Applicants, as Applicants believe that an error was made on the part of the USPTO. Please deposit any refund, or, if applicable, charge any additional fees that may be due in connection with this application, to the afore-mentioned Deposit Account. Should there be any questions, please contact the undersigned at the correspondence address listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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